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cc: Mr. Rankin
Mr. Willens
Mr. Eisenberg

Mr. Norman Bayless
Box 142
Ada, Oklahoma

Dear Mr. Bayless:

We are in receipt of your letter relating to Norman Redlich, a consultant to the President's Commission on the Assassination of President Kennedy.

Security requirements for federal employees are governed by President Eisenhower's Executive Order No. 10450, which provides that "The appointment of each civilian officer or employee in any department or agency of the Government shall be made subject to investigation." Such an investigation was made in the case of Mr. Redlich by the Civil Service Commission and the Federal Bureau of Investigation, and the facts developed were evaluated by the members of the Commission--Earl Warren, Chairman, Chief Justice of the United States, Richard B. Russell, John Sherman Cooper, Hale Boggs, and Gerald R. Ford, leading Democratic and Republican members of the United States Congress, John J. McCloy, former High Commissioner of Germany, and Allen W. Dulles, former head of the United States Central Intelligence Agency.

On May 19, 1964, at a meeting attended by all the Commissioners, the Commission unanimously cleared all the members of its staff to handle classified information. The members of the staff who were cleared included Mr. Redlich.

Very truly yours,

SIGNED

J. Lee Rankin
General Counsel